another is 3/cm to 7/cm; the mesh number is 0.5/cm to 4/cm; and the multifilament yarn threads have been shrunk by 5 to 60%.

3. (Amended) The voluminous non-woven fabric according to Claim 1, wherein the endless filament has a density of 10 to 40 g/m^2 and is provided with a bonding pattern that covers part of the surface, covering 2 to 35% of the surface, and wherein the multifilament yarn threads are shrunk by 8 to 35%.

4. (Amended) The voluminous non-woven fabric according to Claim 2, wherein the endless filament has a density of 10 to 40 g/m^2 and is provided with a bonding pattern that covers part of the surface, covering 2 to 35% of the surface, and wherein the multifilament yarn threads are shrunk by 8 to 35%.

10. (Amended) The voluminous non-woven fabric according to Claim 9, wherein at least a part of the synthetic fibers and/or filaments are made to be hydrophilic.

REMARKS

Claims 1 to 17 are pending in the present application. In view of the above amendments and the following remarks, it is respectfully submitted that all of the presently pending claims are allowable, and reconsideration is respectfully requested.

Applicants first note with appreciation the Examiner's acknowledgment of the receipt of the earlier filed papers submitted under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d).

Applicants thank the Examiner for considering the previously filed Information Disclosure Statement, PTO-1449 paper and cited references.

I.   Rejection of Claims 1 to 17 under 35 U.S.C. 112, Second Paragraph

The Office Action rejects claims 1 to 17 under 35 U.S.C. 112, second paragraph as allegedly being indefinite for failing to particularly point out and distinctly claim the subject matter which the Applicants regard as the invention. Specifically, the Office Action states that claim 1 recites a non-woven fabric with a "density". The "density" is measured in units of "grams per square meter". The Office Action notes that density should be recited in units of weight per unit volume.